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## NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE

### DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady on hens and retail sized toms. A fairly large volume of packer label hens moved in the Central Region for October shipments at steady prices and a light volume for November at higher trending levels. A load of frozen 22-24lb toms sold at 60 cents FOB in the Midwest. Offers of private label whole turkey were tight, packer label turkeys varied by plant. Frozen destrapped tenders moved at lower trending prices. Tom full cut wings and tom necks were tight, spot loads of tom drums were available.

### EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading was fairly light. Demand centered on product for prompt ship, especially tom drums, wings and necks. However, very little product was available.

**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **SEPTEMBER 25, 2001**

#### CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/

#### FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/

#### OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/

	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	69-71	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	68-70	68	68.00	20	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	69-71	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	65-67	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	64-66	64	64.00	20	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	65-67	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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CENTRAL REGION 4/	68-70	68	68.00	1000	71.00	200	NOV	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	69-71	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	65-67	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	64-66	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	65-67	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT**, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 25 SEPTEMBER 2001.

The trade sentiment on fresh tom breast meat was steady to instances weak, mostly steady to barely steady. Demand was slow to instances fair for the adequate to sometimes ample offerings. The seller sentiment on wing meat, scapula, breast trim and fresh destrapped tenderloins was steady to firm. Demand fair for the limited offerings. Offerings of frozen destrapped tenderloins were readily available for the unaggressive buyer interest. Bulk parts inquiry continued to be noted on tom items, however, some increased buyer hesitation was being noted at current price levels. Frozen thigh meat trade sentiment was becoming unsettled due to a slowing in demand from Mexico. Demand light to fair, best for Mexico for prompt shipments. Trading slow on all items.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		W	103.67	120
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		R	154.00	20
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/				
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	40.00		40.00	19
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH	39.00		39.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		F	35.00	60
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	36.00-38.00		36.92	37
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		F	36.00	20
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	39.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		F	50.00	60
NECKS, TOM	37.00		37.00	4
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		R	165.00	47
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/		F	186.82	220
THIGH MEAT		F	70.00	20
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		F	69.00	15
BREAST TRIM MEAT		W	124.15	94
SCAPULA MEAT		F	128.25	40
TENDERLOINS		R	143.00	12
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		F	147.50	20
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH		F	160.00	16
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		M	75.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	19.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/		F	18.70	100

#### EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	R	37.00	80
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS			
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	R	37.00	20
TAILS	F	29.00	28
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	R	19.00	40
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	M	69.75	160

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.):

M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins. 4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.

#### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY, DELIVERED TO RETAILERS

	<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	98
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	98
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	68-76
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	70-76
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	71-76

#### SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	87-102
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	81-99
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	81-99
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	81-99
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	93-101

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Tom bulk parts trade sentiment was steady to firm, mostly steady to fully steady. Demand was in a full range with some industry members not seeing the activity that others are indicating. Tom bulk parts offerings ranged from spotty on drums to short of buyers' needs on necks and full-cut wings. The undertone on hen bulk parts ranged from fully steady on hen full-cut wings to generally steady on the balance of items with hen necks in the softest position. Demand ranged slow to moderate for the short to light offerings. Trading centered on a fair volume of fresh 15-20% mechanically separated turkey for domestic shipments, balance light. Frozen yearling hen breast meat traded at 150 cents delivered. Export interest continued to be noted for prompt shipments to Mexico and Russia.

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DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		T	39.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		F	35.00	60
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	35.00		35.00	20
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		F	36.00	20
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	39.00		39.00	8
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		F	50.00	60
NECKS, TOM	34.50-35.00		34.75	80
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		R	165.00	47
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	176.00-184.00		180.60	200
THIGH MEAT		F	70.00	20
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		F	69.00	15
BREAST TRIM MEAT		W	124.15	94
SCAPULA MEAT		F	128.25	40
TENDERLOINS		R	143.00	12
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	140.00-146.00		143.67	120
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH	156.00		156.00	40
WING MEAT WITH SKIN	75.00		75.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	19.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	16.00-18.00		16.75	560

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WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	37.00	20
TAILS	27.00		27.00	104
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		R	19.00	40
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	69.00-70.50		69.63	160

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#### BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E 09/26/01

#### POULTRY HEALTH BOARD

#### ACCUMULATED

SEASON	HEAVY WHITE	HEAVY WHITES	ALL BREEDS
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30			
2001-2002	3,405	126,107	126,407
,2000-2001	5,001	99,634	99,884